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Group Art Unit:	3651	Examiner: Douglas A. Hess
Applicant(s):	Glen F. Pryor	
Invention:	Stack Stop For Conveyor System	

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Transmitted herewith is Amendment A in response to the office communication dated May 6, 2004 in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR §1.9 and §1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
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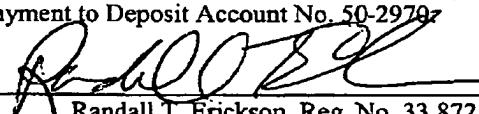
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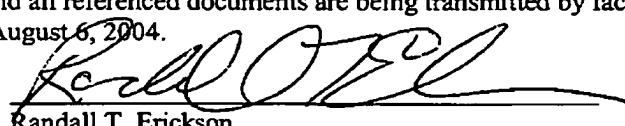

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AMENDMENT A

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action of May 6, 2004, wherein the Examiner rejected claims 1, 2 and 4-6, objected to claims 3 and 7, and allowed claims 8-14.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph that begins at line 20 of page 1 as follows:

– Conventional conveyor systems for changing the number of streams of product usually include a simple flat belt conveyor and a series of fixed curbs or built belt conveyors which guide the products in the lateral direction of the belt conveyor to merge two streams into one or to multiply the number of streams. Examples of these conventional conveying systems are described in FR-A-2587007, FR-A-2168967, and U.S. Patent 5,810,149. --